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USES OF 1-AMINO-3-(N,N-DIMETHYLAMINO)-

PROPYLIDENE-1,1-BISPHOSPHONIC ACID

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

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Sir/Madam:

This paper constitutes Applicant's Interview Summary as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.133. The interview occurred telephonically on November 9, 2007. Participating were Supervisory Examiner Anna Jiang, Examiner Roy P. Issac, and attorney Nicholas Landau (undersigned). Discussed were several matters regarding the patentability of all pending claims.

Applicant requested the Examiners' opinion as to whether alternative preamble language to "maintaining a healthy bone structure" is enabled by the specification. The Examiners expressed doubt. Applicant requested reconsideration of the new matter rejection of all pending non-withdrawn claims except claim 39. Examiners agreed to reconsider the rejections in light of Applicant's arguments. Applicant explained its position that *KSR v. Teleflex* has not removed the requirement for a motivation to combine for a showing of prima facie obviousness. Examiner Teller stated that, under *KSR v. Teleflex*, "motivation to combine need not be shown." The Examiners suggested that claims 32, 33, 35-37 and 39 might be enabled if drawn to methods of

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"inhibiting osteopathy" or "reducing the severity" of osteopathy. Applicant agreed to consider drafting such claims. Applicant proposed amending claim 62, to delete the elements of osteoporosis, arthritis, and periodontal disease. The Examiners agreed that such an amendment would overcome the anticipation rejection over Van Beek.

Agreement was not reached on patentable form of the claims.

Applicant is grateful for the opportunity to speak with the Examiners regarding this matter. Applicant requests this Summary be entered into the record in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.133. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned telephonically should there be any further concerns regarding the allowability of this Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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